

MIKE

Brother-in-law
reminds me of
Hawkeye Pierce
cut chunk of glass
out of my arm had
nurse & me both
in stitches.

POISON TREE

Only person Ive
ever really hated
neighborhood bully
knocked out front
tooth bruised face
& ribs set mean dog
loose dumped me in mud
hole & such for yrs ...
told dad Id kill him
would have too if Id
had the means.
Moved away but never
quite forgot ... heard
recently he was run
ning around grammar
school waving pistol
propositioning little
kids shot at cops they
returned fire blew
his ass away

GAS LINE

73 arab oil embargo
or whatever
tuesday morn up
5:30 drive slowly over
to line already out into
& down street to await
weekly fix ...
meanwhile witness 2
wrecks & 4 hassles &
1 hemanwildwestshowdown
vette cut in near pump
guy in truck came un
glued took 3 of us tear
em apart.
dazed moved back to car
coffee & snyder by flashlite ...
when sun came up found dark
red smeared all over shirt
& pants.

-- Rodney Siegfried

Sacramento CA